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1. Soldin

On 21 May 18 freight cars of cement, which had arrived on 20 May from Lithuania, were unloaded at Soldin (Mysliborz, about 45 km. north of Kustrin/Kostrzyn). The cement was loaded onto trucks and taken to Königsberg (Chojna) on the evening of 21 May. On 29 May 13 more cars of cement arrived at Soldin from Kaunas. These were unloaded onto trucks on 4 June and the cement also sent to Königsberg. In both cases Polish army trucks were used, and Polish engineer troops and workers did the loading and unloading.

2. Neudamn

A building material dump has been set up at Neudamm (Debno, about 20 km. north of Küstrin) since the beginning of May. This is 300 meters northeast of Neudamm station, east of the railroad line to Soldin and south of the road to Massin. It is surrounded by barbed wire and guarded by Polish troops. On 26 May the following were dumped there:

300-350 cubic meters of building wood 100-120 cubic meters of posts (tarred) Railroad track Ropes and wire Wire netting

This dump is being continually filled with material, and material removed from it is removed by Polish troops and taken to Fürstenfelde and Zellin on the Oder.

3. <u>Drossen</u>

Eight large concrete mixers were observed by the station on 4 June at Drossen (Osno, 30,km. ENE of Frankfurt/Oder and 12 km. north of Rappen). These were brought from "Old Poland" in May and were inspected at the start of June by Polish officers who belonged to a Polish engineer unit about 200 strong stationed in Drossen since the middle of May.

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Barvalde

A mixed Polish and Soviet building staff has been at Barwalde (Mieszkowice, about 25 km. New of Kustrin) since the end of May consisting of five Soviet and twelve Polish officers. The following persons are in the unit:

Soviets:

Lt. Col. (Tech) Molotchkov

A Captain (Tech)
A Captain (Tanks)

Poles:

Col. Janiczki (from a higher staff, from Krekow)

One Major (Eng)
Two Captains (Eng)
One 1st Lt. (Tanks)

The officers of this staff drive around a great deal visiting Pyritz, Soldin, Königsbarg, and Küstrin. The staff is quartered in two evacuated private houses in the Marktplatz and its mess is in the "Warszawa" Inn in the Marktplatz.

5. Greifenhagen-Fiddichow

Since the end of May forced labor units and Polish infantry and engineer troops have been working along the Oder between Greifenhagen (Gryfino) and Fiddichow (Widuchowa) digging trenches and building bunkers. North of Fiddichow the trenches are about 800 meters from the eastern bank of the Oder.

6. Stochlin

Pensants in the area Mest of Stechlin were evacuated by Polish Military transport on 2 June; this area has now been cleared of civilians. At the same time forced laborers are engaged in digging about 1 km. west of Stechlin.

7. Rufen

Early in June two columns of approximately 15 trucks each loaded with railroad track passed through Rufen, about 12 km. NW of Soldin, coming from the Soldin direction and making for Greifenhagen.

8. Starrard

A dump of mines was set up in the former slaughter-house at Stargard at the end of May and although this was at first guarded by Soviet troops it was taken on 29 May by Polish guards.

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